

### Amendments to the Specification

On Page 4, on line 4 under the Title and before the specification, insert the following:

#### Background

On Page 5, at line 13 under the Background and before the Summary, insert the following:

#### Summary

On Page 6, at line 37 under the Summary and before the Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiment, insert the following:

#### Description of the Drawing Figures

Figure 1 shows graphs of the measurement results for the BH<sub>2</sub> effect for the steel St15;

Figure 2 shows graphs of the measurement results for the BH<sub>2</sub> effect for the steel ZStE220i;

Figure 3 shows graphs of the measurement results for the BH<sub>2</sub> effect for the steel ZStE340;

Figure 4 is a graph of the strain results for different specimens after annealing at 500°C for 5 minutes;

Figure 5 is a graph of the strain results for different specimens after annealing at 500°C for 15 minutes;

Figure 6 is a graph of the strain results for different specimens after annealing at 700°C for 5 minutes;

Figure 7 is a graph of the strain results for different specimens after annealing at 700°C for 5 minutes;

Figure 8 is a graph showing the effects of pretraining on St15;

Figure 9 is a graph showing the effects of pretraining on ZStE220i;

Figure 10 is a graph showing the effects of prestraining on ZStE340; and Figure 11 shows graphs illustrating the effects of additional annealing.

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Please amend the Abstract on page 17, as follows:

#### Abstract of the Disclosure

The production of a cold-rolled strip or sheet of steel with good deforming properties, which is subjected to recrystallizing annealing and, if appropriate, a dressing operation after hot rolling, coiling and cold rolling and has a bake-hardening potential after a subsequent deformation and for a subsequent temperature treatment, succeeds because the recrystallizing annealing is carried out in a bell-type furnace while coiled and because the strip or sheet is subjected to cooling at a cooling rate of  $\geq 1^\circ\text{C/s}$  after the recrystallizing annealing from a temperature  $T$  of  $200^\circ\text{C} \leq T \leq A_1$ .

It is consequently possible to obtain properties of bell-annealed steels and nevertheless attain a bake-hardening effect, in particular for C contents of  $\geq 0.02\%$ .

Please delete the two tables (tables 1 and 2) which appear after the Abstract and before the declaration, and insert the contents of those tables at page 13, after line 3, as follows:

TABLE 1: CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

<u>Grade</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>Si</u>	<u>Mn</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Al</u>	<u>Cu</u>	<u>Cr</u>
<u>St15 (28348)</u>	<u>0.024</u>	<u>0.006</u>	<u>0.196</u>	<u>0.005</u>	<u>0.008</u>	<u>0.0047</u>	<u>0.039</u>	<u>0.009</u>	<u>0.014</u>
<u>St14 (48188)</u>	<u>0.027</u>	<u>0.009</u>	<u>0.201</u>	<u>0.007</u>	<u>0.009</u>	<u>0.0036</u>	<u>0.041</u>	<u>0.038</u>	<u>0.033</u>
<u>ZStE220i (15343)</u>	<u>0.023</u>	<u>0.019</u>	<u>0.188</u>	<u>0.005</u>	<u>0.005</u>	<u>0.0038</u>	<u>0.046</u>	<u>0.023</u>	<u>0.022</u>
<u>ZStE220i (47669)</u>	<u>0.024</u>	<u>0.011</u>	<u>0.193</u>	<u>0.011</u>	<u>0.005</u>	<u>0.0048</u>	<u>0.037</u>	<u>0.011</u>	<u>0.021</u>
<u>ZStE 340 (33042)</u>	<u>0.075</u>	<u>0.018</u>	<u>0.970</u>	<u>0.011</u>	<u>0.002</u>	<u>0.0062</u>	<u>0.046</u>	<u>0.021</u>	<u>0.023</u>

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Ni</u>	<u>Ti</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>Nb</u>	<u>Mo</u>
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St15 (28348)	0.032	0.001	0.001	0	0.002
St14 (48188)	0.040	0.001	0.002	0.0001	0.002
ZStE220i (15343)	0.038	0.019	0.001	0	0.004
ZStE220i (47669)	0.030	0.021	0.004	0	0.004
ZstE 340 (33042)	0.032	0.017	0.004	0.046	0.002

TABLE 2

Steel Grade	Yield Strength	Tensile Strength	Elongation	BH <sub>2</sub>
	MPa	MPa	to Fracture	MPa
St15 (EN10 130)	up to 180	270 to 330	at least 40	-
St15 (5min 500°C)	150	300	36	at least 38
St15 (2min 700°C)	190	330	30	at least 58
ZStE220i (SZAG W5/94) from 220		300 to 380	at least 36	-
ZStE220i (5min 500°C)	220	340	34	at least 41
ZStE220i (2min 700°C)	250	360	28	at least 80
ZStE340 (SEW093)	340 to 440	410 to 530	at least 20	-
ZStE340 (5min 500°C)	380	470	22	at least 15
ZStE340 (2min 700°C)	390	480	20	at least 35
ZStE220 BH (SEW094)	220 to 280	320 to 400	at least 30	from 40